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JOINT EMBASSY/TDC MESSAGE

E.O. 11652: GDS DECLASSIFY WHEN ANNOUNCED

TAGS: MARR, TW

SUBJECT: PA GUIDANCE, FY-75 OVERSEAS BASE REDUCTIONS:

QUESTIONS/ANSWERS ON TAIWAN REDUCTIONS

REF: A. TAIPEI 1102 (061037Z MAR 75)

B. STATE 051841 (072334Z MAR 75)

C. STATE 045431 (281700Z FEB 75)

1. GROC APPROVES A/A'S TRANSMITTED REF A PARA 1,
SUBJECT TO FOLLOWING CHANGES WITH WHICH WE CONCUR:

F. THE FOLLOWING SHOULD BE ADDED TO THE ANSWER TO
QUESTION F:

TO REFRESH YOUR MEMORY, THE USAF F-4'S WERE BASED
ON TAIWAN TO FILL THE GAP IN THE DEFENSE OF TAIWAN
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WHICH RESULTED WHEN THE REPUBLIC OF CHINA LOANED

A NUMBER OF ITS FIGHTER AIRCRAFT TO THE US ABOUT TWO YEARS AGO. THOSE BORROWED AIRCRAFT WILL BE REPLACED BY THE TIME THE F-4'S ARE WITHDRAWN. (IF Q & A USED AFTER MAY 31: "HAVE NOW BEEN REPLACED.")

K. THE ANSWER TO QUESTION K SHOULD BE CHANGED TO READ IN TOTAL AS FOLLOWS:

IN ADDITION TO THE CARETAKER UNITS AT CCK AND TAINAN AIR BASES, WE WILL RETAIN THE US TAIWAN DEFENSE COMMAND (TDC), THE MILITARY ASSISTANCE ADVISORY GROUP (MAAG), AND SOME OTHER ELEMENTS INCLUDING COMMUNICATIONS INSTALLATIONS.

2. IN ADDITION TO A/A'S REF A PARA 1, WE HAVE SECURED GROC APPROVAL OF FOLLOWING TWO ADDITIONAL A/A'S (THE SECOND IN RESPONSE TO REF B PARA 3):

L. Q: HOW MANY CHINESE EMPLOYEES WILL BE AFFECTED BY THESE ACTIONS?

A. ABOUT 300 LOCAL NATIONAL POSITIONS WILL BE ELIMINATED.

M. Q. ARE THESE REDUCTIONS A RESULT OF U.S. POLICY TOWARD THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA?

A. THE REDUCTIONS ARE PROMPTED BY BUDGETARY CONSIDERATIONS, BUT ARE POSSIBLE BECAUSE OF REDUCED TENSIONS IN THE AREA.

3. GEN LAI MING-TANG, CGS MND, EXPRESSED STRONG HOPE THAT RESPONSES WOULD BE MADE ONLY IF AND AS SPECIFIC QUESTIONS ARE RAISED, AND THAT INFORMATION IN A/A'S WOULD NOT BE VOLUNTEERED. WE ASSURED HIM ON THAT POINT.

4. AS OF 11:00 A.M. MARCH 10 TAIPEI TIME, WE HAD RECEIVED NO QUERIES RELATED TO DOD WITHDRAWAL ANNOUNCEMENT. PENDING RECEIPT WASHINGTON APPROVAL OF AMENDED A/A'S (REF A PARA 1 PLUS THIS CABLE), WE WILL RESPOND, IF QUERIED, THAT US FORCES ON TAIWAN ARE AFFECTED BY CONFIDENTIAL

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THE DOD ANNOUNCEMENT (PERHAPS WITH REFERENCE TO WITHDRWALS ALREADY MENTIONED ABOUT A YEAR AGO) 975 5#-5 23 #-;3 ,9 \$35-8) -5 5#3 043 3,5 58.3.

5. WE HAVE SHOWN TEXT OF CONTINGENCY ANNOUNCEMENT (REF A PARA 4) TO GEN. LAI, BUT TOLD HIM WE DO NOT ANTICIPATE THAT IT WILL BE USED. WE TOLD HIM THAT WE WOULD CONSULT FURTHER IF IT WERE SUBSEQUENTLY PLANNED

TO ISSUE AN ANNOUNCEMENT.
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